

Brief overview of St Mary's Outreach 2017

³⁵For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in,³⁶I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

⁴⁰Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' Matthew 25:35-40

St Mary's Outreach seeks to serve Christ with our time, our talent and our treasure. We address the problems of hunger, homelessness, poverty, sickness, inequality of educational opportunity, and natural disasters, locally, nationally and internationally.

Locally, we work in our own neighborhood through the schools and Sloatsburg Food Pantry, Helping Hands of Rockland County, Habitat for Humanity [Episcobuild], and Suffern Soup Kitchen. Nationally through Episcopal Charities, Episcopal Relief and Development and the National Episcopal Church. Internationally we support Carryou in South Africa which is working to alleviate all these problems in an area of poverty and disease.

To fund our work and charitable donations we depend on an endowment which amounts to around \$13,000 per annum, grants, donations, and our own fundraising efforts.

In 2017 our bank balance on **January 1st was \$19,050.57**. This was due to several large gifts at Christmas.

During the year our **income was \$78,182.85** and we **disbursed \$91,054.67** leaving the outreach account **with \$6,178.75**. There have been calls on our funding in January and **the current balance is \$3,053.78**.

This \$ amount does not include the food, clothing or furniture collections we have made or the checks that parishioners designate directly to a charity we are supporting.

All donations to St Mary's, whether monetary or in kind, are tax deductible.

If you see areas of need where we could be of use, please let us know.

Currently, one of the families we have been helping for a while is desperately in need of a small car. The wife has cancer and there are four young children including a baby. If anyone has a car to sell or donate to St Mary's it would be life transforming for this family. If you would like more details, please call Sue Heywood on 351 3473